

2003 General Session Introduced Bills Relating to Public Utilities

H.B. 11

ENERGY DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING

Sponsor: Rep. Ty McCartney

This act modifies the Utah Natural Resources Act to clarify the reporting duties of the Utah Energy Office and to provide for a clearinghouse of energy data collected by the state. This act makes technical changes.

H.B. 67

ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT WASTE DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING ACT

Sponsor: Rep. Ralph Becker

This act modifies the Environmental Quality Code to encourage the Solid and Hazardous Waste Control Board, with regard to electronic equipment waste, to establish an educational initiative that meets certain requirements and to monitor federal and state activities. The act provides for reporting to the Legislature. The act defines terms and grants rulemaking authority.

H.B. 89

RENEWABLE ENERGY AMENDMENTS

Sponsor: Rep. James R. Gowans

This act modifies the Sales and Use Tax Act to create an exemption related to renewable energy production facilities. This act makes technical changes. This act has an effective date.

H.B. 114

MANAGEMENT, ENHANCEMENT, AND FUNDING OF 911 SYSTEM

Sponsor: Rep. Brad L. Dee

This act amends the Emergency Telephone Services Law and the Public Safety Code. The act creates an 18 cent per month state fee on telephone services for unified statewide E-911 emergency services. The act provides for the administration, collection, and enforcement of telephone E-911 emergency fees by the State Tax Commission. The act deposits the telephone fees into a restricted account in the General Fund for unified statewide E-911 emergency services. The act repeals the advisory Utah 911 Committee in the Bureau of Communications in the Department of Public Safety. The act creates a new state Utah 911 Committee in the Department of Public Safety to develop state standards for the unified E-911 emergency system and to administer the fund. The act establishes criteria for the use of the fund. The act requires the Utah 911 Committee to report annually to Legislative Appropriations. The act authorizes local governments to increase the local levy on telephone services for 911 emergency services from a maximum of 53 cents per month to a maximum of 65 cents per month. The act makes technical amendments. The act has an effective date. This act has a coordination clause.

H.B. 245

REGULATION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS

Sponsor: Rep. Chad E. Bennion

This act modifies the Public Utilities title to include certain providers of intrastate telephone service in the definition of telephone corporation to the extent permitted by federal law. This act makes technical changes.

H.B. 251**AMENDMENTS RELATED TO ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES**

Sponsor: Rep. Chad E. Bennion

This act modifies the Public Utilities Title to provide for open bidding for significant electric generating resources and to address affiliate contracts of electrical corporations.

S.B. 22**TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELATED TAXES, FEES, AND CHARGES**

Sponsor: Sen. Curtis S. Bramble

This act modifies the Sales and Use Tax Act to expand what telephone services are subject to the sales and use tax and to provide an exemption from sales and use taxes under specified circumstances for certain telephone services used by call centers and for purchases of machinery or equipment primarily used to provide telephone services to the general public. This act provides for diversion of sales and use taxes as dedicated credits to be used for devices assisting hearing or speech impaired persons. This act provides for diversion of sales and use taxes as dedicated credits to be used to fund the Poison Control Center. This act addresses how bundled transactions are taxed under the Sales and Use Tax Act. The act addresses customer remedies for over-payment of sales and use taxes. This act modifies the Public Utilities Title to eliminate the surcharge for telecommunication devices assisting hearing or speech impaired persons. This act repeals the emergency services telephone charge that funds the Poison Control Center. This act makes technical changes. The act takes effect on July 1, 2003.

